MIKE JOHANNS NEBRASKA

404 RUSSELL SENATE OFFICE BUILDING WASHINGTON, DC 20510 (202) 224-4224 (202) 228-0436 FAX (202) 228-4285 TTY

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510 July 23, 2010 COMMITTEES:
AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION AND FORESTRY

BANKING, HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

COMMERCE, SCIENCE AND TRANSPORTATION

VETERANS' AFFAIRS
INDIAN AFFAIRS

Lisa Jackson Administrator Environmental Protection Agency Ariel Rios Building 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20460

Dear Administrator Jackson:

I write regarding the Keystone XL Pipeline. I note with interest the content of a letter dated July 16, 2010, to the Department of State, from Ms. Carolyn Giles, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Assistant Administrator for Enforcement and Compliance Assurance, regarding the Keystone XL Pipeline Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS).

As you know, the letter contains comments on behalf of EPA notifying the Department of State of EPA's opinions concerning the content of the DEIS.

I would appreciate your help in answering the following questions concerning those comments and EPA's actions to date relating to the DEIS.

- (1) The DEIS lists the EPA as a "cooperating agency." As a cooperating agency, what did the EPA contribute to the DEIS process?
- (2) Was the entire content of Ms. Giles July 16 letter submitted to the Department of State as the DEIS was being conducted?
- (3) If the entirety was not included, why was it not included?

I appreciate your assistance in helping me better understand the EPA's activities regarding the Keystone XL Pipeline.

Sincerely,

Mike Johanns

United States Senator